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Application No. 09/936,702

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PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the
application referenced above.**

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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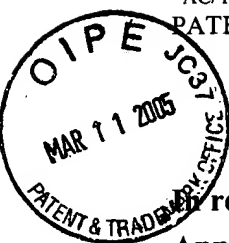
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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

This document accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is submitted after receipt of a Notice of Allowance, dated December 21, 2004. A three-month period to pay the issue fee was set, making payment due on or before March 21, 2005. As no issue fee has been paid, and this RCE submission is prior to March 21, 2005, the application is withdrawn from issuance. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

A brief conclusion is on page 8.